GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5048
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REVIEW OF WORKING OF CAPART
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a)the details of the activities being carried out by the Council for Advancement for People`s Action and Rural Technology (CAPART) in Rajasthan alongwith schemes during the last three years;

(b)whether the activities of CAPART are reviewed on regular basis;

(c)if so, the details thereof;

(d)the details of proposals lying pending in CAPART, region-wise; and

(e)the reasons for such pendency?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL)

(a)The main activities which are being carried out by CAPART in Rajasthan pertain to construction of houses with smokeless chulhas and latrines, excavation/renovation of water storage tanks, leveling and improvement of land for agriculture, afforestation, construction of low cost latrines, installation of hand pumps, training programmes for self employment, construction of vermi-compost pits, construction of fuel efficient crematoria, cultivation of medicinal plants, organization of general awareness camps, construction of check dams, organization of Gram Shree Melas etc. These activities are being taken up under various schemes of CAPART such as Public Cooperation (PC), Advancement of Rural Technology Scheme (ARTS), Organization of Beneficiaries (OB), Innovative Rural Housing (IRH), Watershed Development (WSD) etc. The schemes sanctioned to the NGOs in Rajasthan State during last three years together with the total amount sanctioned and released are indicated at Annexure-I.

(b) & (c) Yes, Sir. In order to streamline the functioning of CAPART, a review Committee was set up by the Govt. in the year 2002 under the chairmanship of the Secretary (RD). Based on the recommendations of the Committee, some of the steps which CAPART has taken related to re-structuring the National Standing Committees and re-defining the financial powers of different authorities / committees in CAPART. Further, a Committee under the Chairmanship of Shri Vinay Shankar was constituted to look into the aspect of delay in handling projects and procedural bottlenecks and suggest measures for streamlining the functioning of CAPART. The Committee submitted its report along with various recommendations for streamlining the functioning of CAPART. CAPART has initiated measures to implement the recommendations of the Committee.

(d) 2180 proposals are pending in various States as on 7th May, 2007. The details are given at Annexure-II.

(e) The main reason for pendency relates to lack of essential information/documents in respect of Project Proposals, the obtaining of which from the voluntary organisations located in remote areas takes lot of time. The eligible project proposals, however, are under various stages of process viz. scrutiny, pre-funding appraisals and for consideration of National Standing Committee/Regional Committee concerned.

ANNEXURE-I

Statement referred to in reply to part (a) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.5048 for reply on 11th May, 2007

(Amount in Rs.)

S. No.	Scheme	2004-05		2005-06		2006-07	
		Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released
1.	ARTS	4932942	4368478	1118800	1072250	20164977	1993764
2.	PC	1781821	1781821	3377220	3200202	47371200	1830560
3.	OB	565000	565000			97642	43328
4.	Others	200000	200000	8285575	7494857	9887494	5010547

ARTS - Advancement of Rural Technology Scheme
PC - Public Cooperation
OB- Organization of Beneficiaries of Anti-Poverty Programme

Other schemes include Natural Resource Development & Management (NRDM), Rural Infrastructure Development Scheme (RIDS), Rural Industrialization, Income Generation & Market Access (RIIMA), Gramin Vikas Andolan (GVA), Technologies for Rural Development and Promotion of Information Technology

(TRDIT), Human Resource Development (HRD) and Empowerment of Women, SC/ST & Disadvantage Groups & for person with disabilities in Rural Areas

(EWSCD).

ANNEXURE-II

Statement referred to in reply to part (d) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.5048 for reply on 11th May, 2007

STATE-WISE NO. OF PROPOSALS PENDING (AS ON 7/5/07)

Sr. No.	Name of the State	No. of Proposals Pending
1.	Andhra Pradesh	248
2.	Assam	92
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	6
4.	Bihar	151
5.	Chhatisgarh	3
6.	Chandigarh	-
7	Delhi	-
8.	Gujarat	48
9.	Haryana	157
10.	Himachal Pradesh	30
11.	J & K	28
12.	Jharkhand	21
13.	Karnataka	133
14.	Kerala	93
15.	Madhya Pradesh	58
16.	Maharashtra	28
17.	Manipur	122
18.	Meghalaya	5
19.	Mizoram	2
20.	Nagaland	30
21.	Orissa	112
22.	Punjab	30
23.	Rajasthan	66
24.	Sikkim	1
25.	Tamilnadu	28
26.	Tripura	17
27.	Uttar Pradesh	558
28.	Uttranchal	43
29.	West Bengal	69
30	Goa	1
31.	Pondicherry	-
	Total	2180